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Affidavit of Publication

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I, Brecki Fabian, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am the principal clerk of Medford Mail Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation, as defined by ORS 193.010 and 193.020; printed at Medford in the aforesaid county and state; that the 30-day Comment Period for E.A. Bybee Vegetation Mgmt Project a printed copy of which is hereto annexed, was published in the entire issue of said newspaper for one (1) successive and consecutive insertion in the following issues January 29, 2013.  
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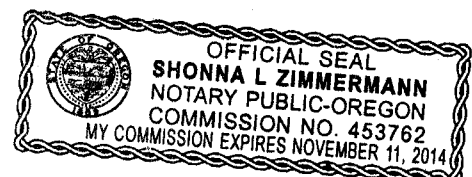
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of February, 2013

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**Bybee Vegetation Management Project  
30-Day Comment Period for an Environmental Assessment**

**Opportunity to Comment**

The Forest Service, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Bybee Vegetation Management Project. Following publication of a previous legal notice under the same title on January 15, 2013 I received information that brought to my attention that the action alternative maps in attachment A are difficult to read. As such, these maps have now been updated and are now available electronically on the Forest's website (see below). In order to give you time to meaningfully evaluate and provide comments, I am restarting the 30-day comment period to allow you adequate time to review the replacement maps. Comments that have already been submitted will also be included in the project record.

The Bybee project planning area is approximately 16,215 acres and located in the Upper Rogue River Watershed between Crater Lake National Park on the east, Hwy 230 on the west, Hwy 62 on the south, and Forest Road 6535-900 on the north. The legal description of the area is sec. 13, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36, T30S, R3E; sec. 7-30 and 33-36, T30S, R4E; sec. 7 and 18, T30S, R5E; and sec. 1 and 2, T31S, R4E, W.M., Jackson Co. Alternative 2 (modified proposed action) would authorize 3,622 acres of commercial silvicultural timber harvest treatments, producing 45 million board feet (MMBF); and construction of 12.9 miles of temporary roads (8.8 miles of which would be on existing non-system road template). Alternative 3 would authorize 2,990 acres of commercial silvicultural timber harvest treatments, producing 34 MMBF; and construction of 9.4 miles of temporary roads (7.8 miles of which would be on existing non-system road template). Alternative 4 would authorize 2,915 acres of commercial silvicultural timber harvest treatments, producing 10 MMBF; and construction of 2.3 miles of temporary roads on existing non-system road template. Under all action alternatives there would be 467 acres of natural fuels reduction treatments, 5.4 miles of roads decommissioned, snag creation, soil restoration, planting, animal damage control activities, stand improvement, and wildlife habitat enhancement. Please see the EA and its supporting appendices for additional details, which are available for review at the Medford Interagency Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, OR 97504, and online at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/rogue-siskiyou/landmanagement/projects>. Additional information regarding this action can be obtained from: Sasha Fertig (Environmental Coordinator), telephone: (541) 618-2127, e-mail: [sashafertig@fs.fed.us](mailto:sashafertig@fs.fed.us); or David Krantz (Forest Planner), telephone: (541) 618-2126, e-mail: [dkrantz@fs.fed.us](mailto:dkrantz@fs.fed.us).

**How to Comment and Timeframe**

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this notice. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for this analysis. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. It is the responsibility of persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period.

Written comments must be submitted to: Robert G. MacWhorter, Forest Supervisor, c/o Sasha Fertig, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, OR 97504, or by facsimile to: (541) 618-2149. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are: 8:00AM - 4:30PM, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Oral comments must be provided at the responsible official's office during normal business hours via telephone to Sasha Fertig, telephone: (541) 618-2127, or in person. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, using plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc or .docx), or portable document format (.pdf) to: [comments-pacificnorthwest-rogue-river-highcascades@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificnorthwest-rogue-river-highcascades@fs.fed.us). Please include "Bybee" in your subject line. In cases where no identifiable name is attached to a comment, a verification of identity will be required for appeal eligibility. If using an electronic message, a scanned signature is one way to provide verification.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will become part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, anonymous comments will not provide the Agency with the ability to provide the respondent with subsequent environmental documents. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality. Where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without names and addresses.

Only those who provide comment or express interest in this proposal during this comment period will be eligible to appeal the decision pursuant to 36 CFR part 215 regulations.

January 29, 2013

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